

SURPRISES
WERE SPRUNGSt. Albans City Gets into the
"Lily White" Belt

THE BIGGEST REVERSAL

Burlington Voted "Yes" by an Overwhelming Majority, as Did Benningtown—But One "Wet" Town in Washington County.

There were a larger number of reversals in liquor policy—some surprising and others expected—in the Vermont spring elections yesterday. St. Albans City went into the no-license column for the first time since the local option law has been in effect, the majority being 77. Burlington changed from no-license to license by 780 majority. Barre went from license to no-license by 89 majority. Rockingham, (including the village of Bellows Falls) is no-license. Bennington maintains the place kept from the start and is again license by 387 majority. Twenty-seven cities and towns voted for licensing the sale of liquor against 32 last year.

The only "Yes" town in Washington County is Middlesex, with six majority, although Northfield was "No" by only two votes.

Bennington only in Orange county is "Wet." The report that Orange had voted likewise is incorrect.

Rutland county has the following license cities and towns: Rutland City (by 123 majority), West Rutland, Fair Haven, Danby, Wells, Castleton and Brandon.

In Chittenden county there are Burlington, Colchester, Sheldon and Richmond.

In Franklin county, Bakersfield, Highgate and Swanton.

In Bennington, Bennington and Pownal.

In Essex, Canaan and East Haven.

In Addison, Shoreham and Hancock.

In Windsor, Chester.

In Grand Isle, Le La Motte.

In Lamoille, Stowe.

In Windham, Somerset and Vernon.

Orleans and Caledonia counties have no license communities this year. The report printed in the morning papers that Orange voted "Yes" is incorrect. The town went "No" by 11 majority.

The following 18 turned from license to no license: Arlington, Brighton, Barre City, Jay, Middlebury, Duford, Rutland Town, Richmond, Rockingham, St. Albans City, St. Albans Town, St. George, Starkboro, Victory and Woodford.

The 11 additions to the license places this year are: Bakersfield, Brandon, Braintree, Burlington, Colchester, Danby, Pownal, Richmond, Stowe and Swanton.

Washington County.

Barre Town 304

Barre City 747

Berlin 32

Cabot 22

Calais 34

Duxbury 22

East Montpelier 33

Payson 25

Marshallfield 27

Middlesex 83

Montpelier 672

Moretown 20

Northfield 317

Plainfield 51

Roxbury 74

Waitsfield 44

Warren 26

Waterbury 212

Woodbury 26

Worcester 36

Orange County.

Bradford 138

Braintree 57

Brookfield 20

Chelsea 10

Corinth (no vote taken)

Fairlee 16

Newbury 14

Orange 34

Randolph 76

Stratford 43

Thetford 15

Topsham 33

Tunbridge 35

Vershire 10

Washington 31

West Fairlee (no majority)

Williamstown 37

Caledonia County.

Barnard 12

Burke 41

Danville 23

Groton 46

Hardwick 04

Kirby 4

Lyndon 09

Newark 13

Peasack 4

Shenfield 6

St. Johnsbury 107

Stannard 1

Sutton 12

Walden 13

Waterford 10

Wheelock 27

ALL IS TAFT
OUT IN OHIO

Lauded to Skies in State Republican Convention

FORAKER DOWN AND OUT

Bennington Strongly License.

Bennington, March 4.—The annual March meeting yesterday was larger than a year ago, over 1,000 ballots being cast on the license issue. The vote stood yes 707, no 740. The Republican ticket with its board of selectmen was re-elected and a tax of 80 cents was voted.

Windsor Bloke License Tie.

Windsor, March 4.—Town meeting passed off quietly and expeditiously yesterday morning, nearly all the old officers being re-elected. The vote on the license question created more interest than anything else. The vote was yes 133 and no 137, which showed quite a change in sentiment from that of a year ago when it was a tie, 136 to 136.

ELECTION RESULTS
IN VARIOUS TOWNS

Plainfield. The annual town meeting was held yesterday and the following officers were elected: A. L. Martin, moderator; J. S. Chamberlin, clerk; E. F. Leavitt, treasurer; H. E. Cutler, E. J. Bartlett, A. S. Martin, selectmen; E. J. Bartlett, school director; Henry Forhan, road commissioner; H. E. Cutler, town law agent; Solomon Bartlett, Walter Perkins, Guy

Continued on eighth page.

100 LITTLE ONES
TRAPPED BY FIRE

Terrible Casualty List Is Expected from a Fire Which Is Raging in a Cleveland Schoolhouse.

Cleveland, Ohio, March 4.—One hundred children are believed to be trapped in the third floor of the Lake View school at Collinwood, a Cleveland suburb, where a fire is now raging. More than 350 were in the building when the fire broke out. Firemen are trying to rescue the little ones. A number of dead are already said to have been removed from the building.

BLIND WOMAN IS BURNED.

Alone in Her Tenement, Mrs. W. O. Cook's Clothing Caught Fire.

Meredith, N. H., March 4.—Mrs. W. O. Cook, a blind woman, was burned so severely yesterday that she died late in the afternoon.

She had gone to the home of her sister, Mrs. Ayers, in the lower part of the Nixing block and was beginning to do some washing for herself. Being alone it is thought that she caught fire to her clothing while trying to put some clothes in the wash boiler on the stove.

She ran screaming into a long hall next the room and Mrs. Ed. Evans, another tenant, heard her and ran for a pair of pants, throwing it over her and partly extinguishing the flames, which covered her from head to foot.

Mrs. W. J. Collins, who was passing, also heard the screams and called Dr. Nutting, who, with the assistance of a man nearby, threw snow on the woman and put out the fire.

It was then discovered that the room from which Mrs. Cook came was of fire and snow and an extinguisher from the linen mill soon had that under control.

In the mean time Dr. Nutting took the unfortunate woman in charge. Her clothing was entirely burned off and in some places the body was badly burned. The face and mouth were burned and the hair about half burned from her head.

Mr. and Mrs. Cook had been married only about two months.

NO DECISION MADE
IN BRITT-NELSON BOUT

The Fight, Which Took Place at Los Angeles Last Night Went The Ten-Round Limit.

Los Angeles, March 4.—Jimmy Britt of San Francisco and Battling Nelson of Chicago met in a ten-round contest here last night. The fight went the limit. There was no decision.

WILLIAM SHARPE MISSING.

Foreman in Lacombe Car Works Object of Searching Posee.

Lacombe, N. H., March 4.—William H. Sharpe, 34 Winchester street, has been missing from his home and employment since Sunday, and considerable anxiety as for his safety is felt by his family and friends.

Soon after 3 o'clock Sunday Mr. Sharpe left his home near the shore of Lake Umbagog, and after visiting Mr. Gilson's fish house started down town. Nothing more was seen of him until about 6:30 o'clock that evening, when he is known to have been on Beacon street, having just visited the home of a Greek employee of the Lacombe car works, where he is a foreman in the iron foundry.

This morning, under the direction of City Marshal Charles A. Harrell, a searching party was formed, with Chief Engineer A. W. Spring at its head. This party searched the shores of the lake and the Parley canal, but no trace of the missing man was found. The police have been at work on the case all day, and every effort is being made to clear up the mystery.

ALL IS TAFT
OUT IN OHIO

Lauded to Skies in State Republican Convention

FORAKER DOWN AND OUT

Platform on Which the Secretary of War Will Try for Presidential Nomination Was Adopted To-day.

Columbus, Ohio, March 4.—The platform on which Secretary W. H. Taft will appeal to the national convention for the presidential nomination was adopted by the Ohio State Republican convention today. It is a declaration largely devoted to national issues and is supposed to represent Taft's political policies.

The platform says in the nation we stand for individualism as against socialism, competition against monopoly, to promote the best interests of labor and capital and unflinching protection of both, compensation for injured employees of the government, re-enactment in constitutional form of the employees' liability act, limitation in exercise of the powers of injunction order to prevent its abuse, a greater merchant marine and an adequate navy, a generous provision for old soldiers, revision of the tariff by a special session of the next Congress, insuring the maintenance of the true principles of protection.

In presenting Taft's name for presidential nomination the platform says, "This conspicuous part in the achievement of a greater American, his broad knowledge and experience in law and government, his genius for world peace and advancement, his tact and sturdy courage and more than anything else, his steadfast devotion to the enduring principles of Republicanism make Ohio's candidate an ideal leader for 1908."

FORAKER STAGGERED.

The Republicans placed the entire party machinery of the state in the hands of Taft and his political followers, and dealt a staggering blow to the interests of Senator Foraker and Dick by wiping off the state central committee every man who was known to have any bias in his favor.

Of the twenty-one members of the new committee, eleven were re-elected, and of the changes made seven were Foraker men, all the Foraker men on the committee. The other three men who were not re-elected were all for Taft and their retirement was caused by local conditions alone. Every member of the new committee is a Taft man.

At a meeting of the committee, after the adjournment, Walter F. Brown of Toledo was re-elected chairman and Malcolm Karsner of Columbus secretary.

The committee on permanent organization decided last night to report in favor of Attorney General Wade H. Ellis for permanent chairman.

The pictures of Senators Foraker and Dick were hung in the convention hall, and the platform has in it a plank commending the "Ohio representatives in Congress" without, however, mentioning any of them by name.

At the same time another plank which is also in the platform strongly endorses the passage of the railway rate bill against which Senator Foraker fought so vigorously on the floor of the United States Senate.

The temporary chairman of the convention was James R. Garfield, secretary of the interior. The mention of Secretary Garfield's name was the signal for an outburst of applause which was deepened when he advanced to the front of the platform to deliver his address. Cheers greeted every mention of the name of Taft, and the prediction that Ohio was about to furnish another president created a boom of approval.

For the head of the ticket Governor Andrew L. Harris will be nominated by acclamation.

For secretary of state C. A. Thompson of Ironton, will be named by acclamation, and R. N. Doolagh will have no opposition for dairy and food commissioner. All other places will be fought for.

SENATOR PROCTOR NOT IMPROVED

Condition of Vermont Senior Senator Is Causing Considerable Apprehension.

Washington, D. C., March 4.—The condition this morning of Senator Redfield Proctor, who is very ill with pneumonia, shows at least no improvement over yesterday. Senator Proctor has been ill since a week ago last Tuesday. For several months he had been in unusual good health for one of his age and known infirmities. Since he became ill, however, he has fallen somewhat rapidly in vitality, so that his condition is giving considerable anxiety to his family. His sons, Governor Fletcher D. Proctor and Redfield Proctor, Jr., with other members of the family, are with him. Proctor came to Washington Saturday.

ALL NOT GUILTY
OF CONSPIRACY

Jury Instructed to Bring in That Verdict in Cases Against Hartie, Welshons and Hoos Today.

Pittsburg, Pa., March 4.—Augustus Hartie, John Welshons and Clifford Hoos a negro, were acquitted today on the charge of conspiracy "growing out of Hartie's unsuccessful attempt to divorce his wife. The jury was directed to bring in a verdict of not guilty.

NEW PROPOSITION
BEING CONSIDERED

By Joint Session of Quarry Owners and Their Employers Which Was Held in This City.

The conference committee from the quarry workers' union at Graniteville and from the quarry owners' association of this city were in joint session at the rooms of the quarry owners in the Miles' block this forenoon. The quarry workers brought down a new proposition of settlement and this was the matter under consideration. The meeting, which continued until noon, was very harmonious, but adjourned without action, subject to the call of the chairman of the two committees for further conference.

At the granite cutters, tool sharpeners, polishers and manufacturers' headquarters, the reply to all inquiries was "nothing doing."

WOMEN FLED BEFORE
RUNAWAY STEED

Spectacular Exhibit and One Very Narrow Escape During Busy Period Late Yesterday Afternoon.

A horse belonging to Robert Kerr took advantage of the crowds on the street late yesterday afternoon to an exhibition of speed in one of the most spectacular runaways seen on the streets of the city in a long time. The horse became frightened by an electric car when in front of the Vaughan store on Elm street, and, shying to the side of the street, after the sidewalk, throwing Mr. Kerr to the ground.

The horse turned a right angle and took a course directly across the city park to Elm street, along Elm street to Summer street and then turned by way of Keith avenue onto North Main street again, and after following the street to Blackwell street, turned in and was stopped at James Allen's tool factory.

Several collisions with pedestrians were narrowly avoided. One woman especially had a narrow escape. She was coming along the city park sidewalk as the horse crossed the park and only dodged the flying steed by taking prompt refuge behind a tree and even after the horse had passed, she did not seem to think she was entirely safe as she took several cautious looks from her stronghold before venturing forth.

Mr. Kerr who had then cut across lots had a narrow escape from injury as he attempted to stop his horse as it turned into Elm street. He jumped for the rising equine and the skill of the sleigh struck him and knocked him to one side. When finally halted, the horse, it was found was apparently not injured by its startling dash, but the sleigh was badly smashed and the harness not much better.

Almost directly behind this exhibition a crowd attempted to emulate number one's example after the occupants of the sleigh had been unceremoniously dumped into the gutter, but this horse was not so successful as a watchful bystander ended his attempt with a hand at the bridle.

AWARDED TROPHY
TO CRIBBAGE WINNERS

Manchester Unity of Odd Fellows Honored at Meeting of Interfraternity Cribbage League Last Evening.

The close of the series of contests held during the winter by the interfraternity cribbage league was celebrated by a smoke talk and general good time last evening at the Quinlan hall. J. P. Marshall acted as toast-master and the toasts were responded to by representatives of the different organizations represented in the league.

Refreshments were served during the evening and an impromptu program was given. Among the numbers of the program were A. J. Schneider in impersonations and imitations; songs by Thomas McDonald, John Gail and James Hogg and two dances by Robert J. Stewart.

The trophy cup, for the custody of which the teams play, was awarded to the team representing the Manchester Unity of Odd Fellows, the winners of the season's play.

DISGUSTED WITH HIMSELF.

William Wright, Who Broke Parole While Out Haying.

William Wright, the inmate of the county jail, who broke a parole while put out haying last summer and who was recaptured after a long chase, finished his sentence in jail this morning and was taken before Judge Harvey of the Montpelier city court. He was arraigned on the charge of breaking jail. He waived examination and was bound over to county court under bail of \$300, which he probably cannot furnish. His attorney was T. R. Jordan. The sentence for that offense is imprisonment for five years or a fine of \$500.

Wright appeared disgusted with himself today and State's Attorney Gates added to his feeling by saying that he might have some respect for a man who worked hard in his break for freedom, but for a man who deliberately broke his parole he had no use.

TALK OF THE TOWN.

The Art Loan Exhibit which opened yesterday afternoon in the vestry of the Congregational church has been thus far a decided success. There were about 200 people present in the afternoon and evening. A Dutch Bible, printed in 1609, an autograph letter by Oliver Wendell Holmes, two oil paintings painted in 1741 and some beautiful hand-painted china, by Mrs. Goes of Montpelier, have been added to the collection. The exhibit is well worth one's time and efforts to visit. It will be continued this evening and Thursday afternoon.

THREE WERE
REJECTED

Appointments Made by Mayor or Robins Today

FOLLOWING ORGANIZATION

First Assistant Fire Chief Beck, Building Inspector Riley and Patrolman Hamel Turned Down—The Complete List of Officials.

The new city government met at 9 o'clock this morning and organized, the aldermen from wards 2, 4 and 6 first taking the oath. Mayor Robins had already been sworn in and he called the council to order when resolutions fixing the size of bonds of certain city officials were adopted as follows: City clerk, \$10,000; city treasurer, \$25,000; first constable, \$15,000; second constable, \$10,000; water superintendent, \$10,000; superintendent of streets, \$10,000; overseer of poor, \$10,000; chief of police, \$10,000; inspector of buildings and private drain layer, \$500 each.

The council then adjourned and City Clerk Mackay called the board of aldermen to order and L. H. Thurston was re-elected president and A. E. Campbell vice-president. Aldermen Ladd, Alexander and McNulty were appointed a committee to revise the rules for the board.

A communication from the mayor named the standing committees for the year as follows: Legislation, McNulty, Campbell, Williams, Ladd, Williams, Thurston, Streets, Thurston, Campbell, Ladd, Water, Williams, Alexander, Ladd, Fire, Alexander, McNulty, Ladd, Lights, Campbell, McNulty, Williams, Police, Williams, Ladd, Campbell, Property, Alexander, Williams, McNulty.

Cemeteries, McNulty, Thurston, Ladd, Health, Campbell, Thurston, McNulty, License, Alexander, Williams, McNulty, Salaries, Thurston, Williams, Alexander, Library, Ladd, McNulty, Thurston, Supplies, Campbell, Alexander, Ladd, Printing, McNulty, Campbell, Thurston.

Elections, Campbell, McNulty, Williams, Charity, McNulty, Campbell, Williams. The mayor then sent in his appointments for the year. All the appointments were confirmed, excepting W. E. Beck for first assistant engineer, who was rejected by a vote of 4 to 2; Martin Riley for building inspector, rejected by a vote of 4 to 2, and Frank Hamel to be patrolman was rejected by a vote of 3 to 3.

The appointment of Fred Bruce to be superintendent of streets was confirmed by a vote of 4 to 2; C. B. Gladding to be chief of the fire department was confirmed by a vote of 5 to 1; O. C. Russell to be water superintendent was confirmed by a vote of 5 to 1, and Harry Gamble to be patrolman had 4 votes in his favor to 2 against. After the rejection of Frank Hamel for patrolman the mayor sent in the name of Peter D. Thom, who was confirmed by a vote of 4 to 2. The mayor's appointments as first sent in were practically the same as last year. All the appointments, excepting those specified above, were unanimously confirmed.

THE APPOINTEES.

The list complete is as follows: City engineer, George A. Reed. Overseer of poor, O. D. Sturtevant. City physician, Dr. P. S. Duffy. Supt. of streets, Fred Bruce. Water spt., O. C. Russell. Chief of police, D. W. Faulkner. Patrolmen, George K. Carle, Harry Gamble and Peter D. Thom. Chief of fire department, C. B. Gladding.

First assistant engineer, W. L. Stow. Second assistant engineer, E. M. Tobin. City attorney, J. Ward Carver. Grand jurors, E. E. Davis, E. M. Taylor and J. E. Smith.

Supt. of fire alarm, P. M. Carr. Surveyors of wood and lumber, W. H. Messer and R. L. Hayward. Sealer of weights and measures, A. A. Dodge.

Fence viewers, L. H. Hooker, A. F. Dodge and C. C. Varney. Fish and game wardens, Henry Rust and George F. Howe. Trustee cemetery fund, E. L. Smith. Cemetery commissioner for three years, E. L. Smith.

Haywards, Eugene Sullivan, Wm. Cole and John Marchant. Inspector of food, Dr. O. G. Stickney. Inspector of leather, A. C. Tilden. City weigher, L. J. Wallace.

Aldermen Campbell, Williams and McNulty were appointed a committee to arrange for the keeping of a poul, which concluded the business of the first meeting of the board, it having been in session exactly an hour.

SOON FOLLOWED WIFE.

Michael J. Murphy Died at His Home This Morning.

The death of Michael J. Murphy occurred at nine o'clock this morning at his home, 306 North Main street. Mr. Murphy had been in ill health for the past three years and the direct cause of his death was heart trouble. He was 61 years of age and was born in Ireland, coming to this country 24 years ago, and since that time he has been a resident of the city.

Mrs. Murphy died February 12 and the shock of her death may have hastened his end. There are eight children: Mrs. James Glynn of Concord, N. H., Mrs. W. J. Carroll of Barre, Mrs. Patrick McNulty of Barre, Mrs. William Riley of Barre, Misses Flora and Nellie and Robert and James of this city.

The funeral services will be held at nine o'clock Friday morning at St. Monica's church.

CORRECTED RETURNS
OF BARRE ELECTION

All the Wards in City Showed Loss in "Yes" Vote, Most Notable Being Flop of Ward Three to No-License.

Mayor Robins' majority in the election yesterday was slightly stronger than it was the year before, his opponent in each case being the Socialist party candidate. This year Alex. Ironside, the candidate of the latter party, secured 263 votes, to 204 by J. H. Carson, last year's Socialist candidate. One vote was cast this year for Harvey Hersey.

James Mackay's vote for city treasurer was unanimous and all but so for city clerk, there being but a single vote in opposition, that cast for John Scampin. There was also a single vote for S. J. Kingston for first constable, with Mark Nichols getting all the others, 1140. James J. Smith, who had been elected second constable two years already, had opposition in Frank M. Small, but the latter got only 24 votes to 1076 for Smith.

Jones, Socialist candidate for assessor, polled 277 votes, against \$14 for Fay, and the three trustees of the French Barre library got through without a vote in opposition. They are R. S. Currier, John W. Gordon and F. G. Howland. There was no opposition either to the auditors, O. J. L. Matthews, J. F. Higgins and G. W. Gorman.

The two ward contests were in the fourth and the sixth. In the former, Aldermen Thurston was elected over the Socialist candidate, Frank Casani, by 163 votes to 50; while in the sixth ward Alderman Campbell was returned by 118 votes to 78, his opponent being L. C. Beck. W. S. Alexander got all the votes cast for alderman in the second ward. Alexander Gordon, Leonard R. Hutchinson and William Oliver were elected school commissioners—the first two re-elected in wards one, three and six, respectively.

The local option flop. The chief interest of the election was over the local option vote, the "No" majority of 89 (corrected returns) being somewhat of a surprise to a great many people. The cause of the overturn from license to no-license is variously heard, but the one most frequently heard is that many people were dissatisfied with the conduct of the liquor traffic by some of those who were licensed to sell. There was a flop of 241 votes to bring the result about.

Every ward in the city showed a loss for the "Yes" side, the most notable being in the third ward, which turned from a 26 majority for license to a 48 majority for no-license. Ward two raised its majority for no-license from 88 to 150, while ward one also added 25 votes to its no-license majority. Wards four, five and six continue in the "Yes" column but by reduced balances the "Wets" losing 14 votes in the sixth eleven in the fifth and 25 in the fourth.

The vote by wards on the local option question was as follows:

Ward	Yes	No
Ward 1	122	172
Ward 2	83	233
Ward 3	164	212
Ward 4	145	90
Ward 5	114	46
Ward 6	119	83
Total	747	836

The license regime runs to May 1.

IS NOT DECIDED.

Says Frank Whitney of The Washington County "Oasis."

Frank P. Whitney, the holder of the only liquor license in Middlesex, which town had the distinction of being the only one in Washington county to vote "Yes" stated today that he didn't know if he would apply for a license another year. The present commissioners in that town are E. E. Denmore, W. H. Vaughan and E. J. Hill, they having been selected after much trying, others having resigned. The new board will be appointed by the assistant judges the coming term of court which convenes next week. They have sixteen days from election in which to make the appointments.

INGERSOLL-RODEE.

Pretty Home Wedding Was Solemnized This Morning.

A pretty home wedding was solemnized at 8:30 this morning when Miss Mary Rodee and Edward B. Ingersoll were united in